

could not be had, began clamoring for the game to be called, and the local players united in this demand. The conservative element of the crowd who like clean, manly sports—win or lose—desire to see the inning finished and the paroxysm made a decisive one. Under the circumstances Mr. Truly acted very properly and wholly within his province in calling the game.

**Exhibition That Is Distracting.**

Yesterday's demonstration against the umpire and the coarse epithets applied to him by individuals hidden in the mass will disgust the better element attending games and kill the sport in this city, if it is not stopped at once.

The exhibition was a blot upon the good name of the city, and the part the local players took in converting the game into a farce was highly disgraceful to them. They were incited by the crowd, no doubt, in their farcical performance. Had they really objected to playing longer by reason of darkness, a Richmond team might have left the field and forfeited the game. But they chose the wrong way and denied the umpire's demonstration against the onus in which, however, the players on both sides took no part. That is what the writer could observe.

There were many expressions of consternation in the grandstand of the disgraceful action of a large element of the crowd. The Richmond team chose the wrong method of protesting the game, had they desired to do so.

It would be wise for the police department hereafter to station two or three officers in the front of the grandstand with instructions to summarily arrest and eject any person in the crowd who applies offensive epithets to players or umpire or who uses language calculated to incite a breach of the peace. It is done in larger cities and should be done here. It is entirely within the province of spectators and ball-game to make legitimate criticisms of the players, an umpire, but these must be couched in respectful language. Certainly, bawling such epithets as "Trotter" and "Hobson" at the umpire, whether he errs or not, should not be tolerated for a moment, and an example should be made of those who thus mar the pleasure of spectators.

**COLTS HIT WHEN BINGLES COUNT**

**Roanoke's Errors Gave Opportunity for Locals in First Game.**

The first game promised to be a beautiful pitchers' battle between Morrissey and Hobbs, but rain cut it short in the beginning of the sixth inning, with the score 2 to 1 in Richmond's favor. Morrissey had a bad opening, and before he and his support settled down two Richmond runs had been scored. The visitors began hitting Hobson's delivery in the third inning, and in the fourth bunched a double and two singles, earning their only run. The outcome would have been exceedingly doubtful had the game been played under normal conditions.

Roanoke was first at bat. Fish sent a fly to Heffron, which he captured cleverly; Eustace struck out, and Brodie, who was given a base on balls, was thrown out at second by Cowan while trying to pilfer the sack.

For Richmond, Heffron sent a bouncer to McMahon, who disposed of him at Ealey's corner. Reeve hit a slow bouncer to third, and though Eustace made a brilliant stop, he could not recover in time to throw the ball accurately to Riley, and Reeve is credited with a hit. Titman sent a hot one to McMahon, which the blonde shortstop bungled. Reeve stole second before Titman came up. Wallace drove a timely single to centre, scoring Reeve and Titman, who had gone to second on Hessler's second misplay. Wallace was nailed at second, Thomas to McMahon, and Siebiele ended the inning with a pop fly to Clark.

In the second Clark sent a fly to Heffron, and Getting threw both Hessler and Titman out at first on infield drives. In Richmond's half McMahon threw Getting, and Bowen out at first, and Cowan singled to centre, but was nabbed trying to pilfer second, Thomas to McMahon.

In the third Hobbs fanned McMahon and Thomas successively, and then Morrissey biffed a safe one to short left. Fish, however, was struck out. In Richmond's inning Hobbs was thrown out at first by Clark; Heffron was safe on Riley's miff of a thrown ball, but was caught between first and second a moment later and ran down, Riley to McMahon. Reeve singled to right, but Titman was disposed of by McMahon with a great running catch of his Texas League to left, depriving him of a hit.

In the fourth Roanoke got to work. Eustace started the fusillade with a rattling single to right. Brodie was out, Reeve to Bowen, and Clark was left field, scoring Eustace. Hessler struck out, but Riley ripped off a single. With men on first and second, McMahon was thrown out at first by Reeve on his drive to short. One run.

Richmond went down in one-two-three order in the fourth and fifth, and Roanoke in the same way in her fifth, not a man reaching first on either team. Then the rain began before the sixth inning had been fairly begun. It continued half an hour or more, and time for the second game was at hand. Richmond played an errors game in the first contest, but Roanoke's mistakes cost the game. The score:

**FIRST GAME,**

**Roanoke.**

Players. A.B. R. H. O. A. E. Fish, If..... 3 0 0 0 0 0 Eustace, 3b..... 2 1 1 0 1 0 Brodie, cf..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 Clark, 2b..... 2 0 1 0 1 0 Hessler, rf..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 Ealey, 1b..... 3 0 1 0 1 0 Thomas, ss..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 McMahon, ss..... 2 0 0 4 3 2 Thomas, c..... 0 0 1 2 0 0 Morrissey, p..... 2 0 0 1 0 0

Totals..... 18 1 4 15 10 3

**Richmond.**

Players. A.B. R. H. O. A. E. Heffron, If..... 2 0 0 0 0 1 Eustace, ss..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 Brodie, rf..... 2 0 2 0 2 0 Wallace, cf..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 Siebiele, 2b..... 1 0 0 1 1 1 Getting, 3b..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 Bowen, 1b..... 2 0 1 0 2 0 Cowan, c..... 2 0 0 0 6 0 Vail, p..... 2 0 1 0 0 1

Totals..... 15 0 4 12 2 8

Score by Innings:

R. Roanoke..... 2 1 0 0 5 0

R. Richmond..... 0 0 0 0 0 0

Summary: Two-base hit—Vail. Sacrifice hits—Reeve, Wallace. Stolen bases—Eustace, Brodie. Bases on balls—Eustace 1, off Reynolds, 2. Struck out—by Vail, 4; by Reynolds, 2. First base on errors, Roanoke, 3; Richmond, 1. Left on bases—Roanoke, 5; Richmond, 6. Time of game, 1:59. Umpire, Mr. Truly.

\*One out when game was forfeited.

**NORFOLK TEAM FORFEITS GAME**

Four Norfolk Players Bench'd by Handic平, Whereupon Pender Quits.

DANVILLE, VA., August 3.—Umpire Handic平 declared the game between Danville and Norfolk forfeited in favor of the former during the latter half of the seventh inning here today on account of the refusal of Norfolk to play ball after three of their players had been bench'd for unbecoming conduct on the diamond. The large crowd collected on the diamond, and for several minutes it looked as though there was going to be serious trouble, which was no doubt averted by the appearance of two police officers and the Mayor, who was seated in the grandstand, and who hastened to the field.

Manager Pender, at the end of the sixth inning, when the score was 2 to 1 in favor of the Crew, wanted to call the game, contending that it was too dark and rainy to play. This Handic平 refused to do, and in the next inning when Danville took the lead by one run, it is alleged that Pender cursed the umpire, who ordered him to the bench. Catcher Edwards, of the visitors, then climbed in, and was likewise bench'd. Shortstop Manion was similarly dealt with, because, it is alleged, he threw dirt in the face of Handic平.

Pender then declared he did not McAndrews, 1b..... 4 0 0 11 4 2 Free for all. Score No. 6.

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Oney, 2b..... 4 0 0 3 2 2 Obstacle race; free for all.

Moss, ss..... 4 0 0 3 0 0 Drs. Hugo, Nichols and Nelson will

be present at the firing line for all.

The least said about the second game the better. The field had been prepared as well as possible for the

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